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**AMENDMENT**

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Applicants hereby respond to the Official Action mailed May 16, 2005, in the above-referenced application. Applicants concurrently petition for three months' extension of the period for response and authorize the Commissioner to charge the corresponding fee of \$1020.00 to Deposit Account No. 23-1703.

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**The pending Claims** are reflected in the listing that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.